Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

**BILL NO.** 

Introduced by

Representative Kasper

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-08 of the North Dakota Century
- 2 Code, relating to prohibitions on financial institutions disclosing information to the internal
- 3 revenue service; to provide a penalty; and to declare an emergency.

## 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 6-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 <u>Prohibitions on disclosure of information to internal revenue service Civil penalty -</u>
- 8 <u>Injunctive enforcement.</u>
- 9 <u>1. Except as otherwise provided under this section, notwithstanding contrary state and</u>
- federal laws and regulations, a financial institution, credit union, or financial
- 11 corporation may not disclose customer information to the internal revenue service.
- 12 <u>2. Subsection 1 does not apply to a disclosure required for a tax audit, for a criminal</u>
- investigation, or to comply with federal law or regulations in effect on October 1, 2021.
- 14 3. The attorney general, or a state's attorney with the permission or at the request of the
- attorney general, may bring an action for appropriate injunctive relief and civil
- penalties in the name of the state for a violation of this section. The trier of fact may
- assess for the benefit of the state a civil penalty of one thousand dollars for each
- 18 <u>individual violation of this section.</u>
- 4. As used in this section, the term "customer information" has the same meaning as
- 20 <u>provided under section 6-08.1-01.</u>
- **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.